

## APPLY THE SKILLS

### *from Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* • *from Morte d'Arthur*

1. **Make a Judgment:** In your opinion, has Sir Gawain failed to live up to his knightly ideals? Explain.

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2. **Interpret:** How does the conflict between Mordred and Arthur emphasize the theme of betrayal in *Morte d'Arthur*?

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3. **Literary Analysis:** Both Sir Gawain and Sir Bedivere face challenges as knights. Compare Sir Gawain and Sir Bedivere. Read the way Sir Gawain reacts to the Green Knight's questioning of his honor in lines 459-477. Then, read about how Bedivere reacts to King Arthur's request to throw the sword in the water. Write your ideas in the chart below.

	Gawain's Reactions	Bedivere's Reactions
What He Says		
What He Does		
What He Feels		

4. **Reading Strategy:** Pretend you are Sir Bedivere and a curious traveler comes to visit you. Summarize the key events leading up to King Arthur's death.

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